

FIREFIGHTER

DEFINITION

Under immediate supervision, is responsible for responding to fire alarms, medical and other emergencies, participating in fire prevention, station maintenance, and training activities; performs related duties as required.

EXAMPLES OF WORK (Any one position may not include all of the duties listed, nor do the examples cover all of the duties that may be performed.)

Responds to alarms and performs entry, search, rescue, attack, extrication and ventilation tasks at fires and other emergencies;

Operates emergency apparatus and equipment at emergency scenes;

Drives emergency vehicles to emergency scenes;

Assists superiors in fire scene size-up and attack;

Administers emergency medical treatment and first aid;

Transports victims and equipment in emergency situations;

Performs cleanup and overhaul work at the fire scene;

Assists in maintaining fire apparatus, fire equipment, and fire station grounds;

Assists in maintaining emergency medical equipment;

Inspects residential, commercial, and industrial buildings and grounds to discover and eliminate potential fire hazards;

Participates in continuing training and instruction programs;

Conducts public education and fire prevention programs;

May perform functions as an emergency medical technician or paramedic;

May serve as relief Fire Lieutenant or inspector;

May respond to major alarms while off duty as directed.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Possession of a high school diploma at the time of appointment. Substitution(s): A certificate of high school equivalence (GED) will be accepted in lieu of a diploma.

At least eighteen (18) years of age at time of appointment; at least seventeen (17) years, six (6) months at time of application.

Possession of a valid motor vehicle operator's license when applying and a valid Ohio motor vehicle operator's license at time of appointment.

A citizen of the United States.

SPECIAL NOTE

The Division of Fire must maintain a required number of Firefighters who possess an Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic certificate. Some positions may be required to obtain and retain this certificate after becoming a Journeyman Firefighter. A Journeyman Firefighter is an employee who, within the first three years of employment, has: (1) successfully completed the recruit training program; (2) successfully completed EMT-B training and obtains and maintains full EMT-B state certification; (3) obtained certification as a fire safety inspector; and (4) successfully completed both a written and a practical evaluation of his/her proficiency as a firefighter sufficient to qualify for Firefighter III certification as defined in NFPA 1001.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

Ability to learn technical firefighting principles and techniques; ability to learn principles of hydraulics applied to fire suppression; ability to learn emergency medical treatment procedures; ability to understand and follow oral and written directions; ability to establish and maintain cooperative relationships with fellow employees and public; ability to keep records and prepare reports.

Probationary Period:	365 Days
Examination:	Competitive
Class Code:	3090
Job Family:	Protective Services
EEO Job Category:	Protective Service
Compensation Plan:	IAFF
Salary:	Range 1F-1F
Class established:	04-08-63
Current spec:	03-29-04
Commission action taken:	Revise
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